

Minutes of the Lower Coastal Commission of Pilotage Meeting

September 8, 2015
899 Morrison Drive
Charleston, SC 29402

Board members present were:

Mr. David Galloway, Chairman
Mr. Henry Hay
Capt. Whit Smith (for Capt. Thornton)

Excused absences were noted for:

Mr. Ken Riley
Capt. Chris Thornton
Mr. Billy Lempesis

Staff and others present were:

LT. John Downing, USCG
Capt. Whit Smith, Charleston Pilot Assoc.
Capt. John Cameron, Charleston Pilot Assoc.
Mrs. Kitty Cox, LLR
Ms. Pam Zaresk, Maritime Assoc.
Mrs. Julia Bennett, Charleston Pilot Assoc.
Ms. Amy Riley
Mrs. Noreen Milligan, Secretary

The Commissioners of Pilotage for the Port of Charleston met Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at the Maritime Association Office, 899 Morrison Drive, in Charleston, South Carolina. Whereas, proper notice of date, time, place and agenda information having been properly provide to the **Charleston Post and Courier** and proper notice also having been posted at the Maritime Association Office 24 hours prior to the time scheduled for the meeting and quorum having been noted as present, Chairman Galloway called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. All votes referenced herein were unanimous unless otherwise noted.

Chairman Galloway asked the members to read the draft of minutes taken during the August 11th meeting. **Motion:** Commissioner Hay moved to accept the minutes. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. **The motion passed.** Next, the Finance Report showed that checks written since the last meeting totaled \$500.00 and there were no deposits with all bills being paid, the Commission had \$7,905.77 on hand. **Motion:** Commissioner Smith moved to accept the Finance Report and Commissioner Hay seconded the motion. **The motion passed.**

Chairman Galloway asked for public comment. There was no comment.

LT. Downing gave the Coast Guard report. The Swim Around Charleston will be held on September 26. They are dredging in the Wharf A turn basin. Buoy's #37, 38, 39 were moved because of the dredging and the Coast Guard will move them back. The Fort Sumter Range was staying in Day mode. The Coast Guard made the repair when the parts came in. The Pilots are considering stocking the parts so that there is a faster

repair time. The Coast Guard is asking the pilots to give feedback on the replacement of Racons from virtual to synthetic.

Mrs. Cox gave the LLR Report. There were 2 physicals in September and there is one for October. The NOD will be pre-filed for the new legislative session for January 2016. It has to be on file for 120 days. May of 2016 would be the time that the Regulations will timeout for passage. LLR Director Taylor has given the Governor's office another draft of the NTSB letter to be sent with the current date noted. Mrs. Cox will continue to check with Director Taylor on the status of the letter. Please continue to send in information to be posted on the web site for the Commission.

There is no new activity on the Right Whale issue. The next meeting is scheduled for October.

There is nothing new to report on the Savannah River Commission.

The search for a new physician to review the pilot applications is still on going.

Capt. Cameron will start the process of updating the Commissioners of Pilotage Lower Coastal Area Policies and Procedures Manual.

There was no new business brought before the Commission.

There being no further business to bring before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Noreen K. Milligan
Executive Secretary

David Galloway
Chairman